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Serena Williams bids goodbye to fans at the US Open | AFP

FIGHTER, ICONOCLAST AND CHAMPION

AS Serena Williams walked off into the sunset following an emotional three-set third-round loss at the US Open, the answer to her legacy was visible all over social media. Black sportspersons — Simone Biles, James Blake, Allyson Felix, LeBron James, Coco Gauff and Tiger Woods to name a few — had posted their tributes, thanking Williams for the positive effect she had on their lives. P13

EXPRESS DEAD

Seer subjected to medical tests

Chitradurga: POCSO accused Dr Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru, pontiff of Murugha Mutt, who is in police custody till September 5, was taken to district hospital for a medical check-up on Saturday. P4

High Court relief for CET repeaters

Bengaluru: The Karnataka High Court on Saturday quashed the 'Note' issued by the KEA stating that the PU II marks obtained by petitioners-CET repeaters would not be considered for CET ranking.

ED raids Paytm, Razorpay offices

Searches part of ongoing investigation against illegal Chinese loan apps; ₹17 crore seized

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru, New Delhi

THE Directorate of Enforcement (ED) carried out raids at premises of payment gateways – Paytm, Razorpay and Cashfree – on Saturday in connection with an ongoing probe against illegal Chinese loan apps.

It is alleged that these apps have been mushrooming in India, duping lakhs of youth that has led to major economic and social consequences, including many victims committing suicide.

The Central probe agency carried out searches on six premises in Bengaluru, including those belonging to the three fintech firms – Razorpay Pvt Ltd, Cashfree Payments, Paytm Payment Services Ltd – and entities controlled and operated by Chinese-origin promoters.

The agency said Rs 17 crore kept in "merchant IDs and bank accounts of Chinese persons-controlled entities" has been seized during the raids. The search operations are underway and the raids were carried out under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, the agency added.

As many as 18 FIRs have been filed by the Cyber Crime Police Station, Bengaluru City, against numerous entities and persons in connection with their alleged involvement in extortion and harassment of the public who had availed small amounts of loans through mobile apps.

> We are supporting law enforcement agencies, who are investigating a specific set of merchants. The authorities reached out to us with directions to provide certain info about these merchants under scrutiny, to which we promptly responded. We continue to cooperate with the authorities and remain fully compliant
>
> Paytm spokesperson

During the probe, it emerged that these entities are controlled and operated by Chinese people. Explaining their modus operandi, the agency said these entities used forged documents of Indians and made them dummy directors. The entities were generating proceeds of crime through various merchant IDs and accounts held with payment gateways or banks. They are also not operating from the addresses given on the Ministry of Corporate Affairs website. The companies, allegedly backed by Chinesenationals, were incorporated during the Covid pandemic in 2020 with the help of chartered accountants. P10

Limbavali flayed for 'rude' behaviour with woman

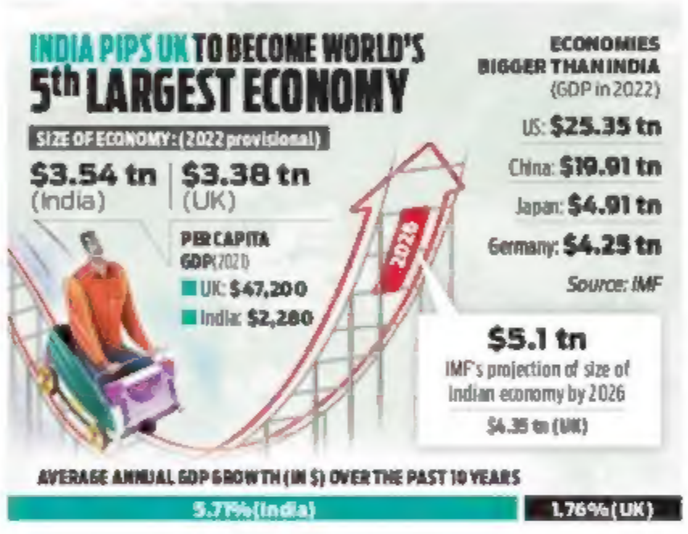
MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

BJP MLA Aravind Limbavali has landed himself in a controversy for allegedly behaving rudely with a woman, who approached him during an encroachment clearance drive. Later, in an attempt to defend himself, he questioned, "Did I rape her?" drawing sharp criticism from the opposition Congress as well as netizens.

The incident took place on Thursday when the BBMP had undertaken an encroachment removal drive following floods in Mahadevapura. On Saturday, a video of the spat between the Mahadevapura MLA and the woman went viral on social media.

A video grab showing BJP MLA Aravind Limbavali arguing with the woman

In the video, the MLA is seen losing his cool and shouting at the woman, identified as Ruth Sagaya Mary, for questioning the BBMP officials on why they were conducting the drive. P3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SIZE OF ECONOMY: (2022 provisional)
$3.54 tn (India)
$3.38 tn (UK)
PER CAPITA GDP (2021)
UK: $47,200
India: $2,280
2026
ECONOMIES BIGGER THAN INDIA (GDP in 2022)
US: $25.35 tn
China: $19.91 tn
Japan: $4.91 tn
Germany: $4.25 tn
Source: IMF
$5.1 tn
IMF's projection of size of Indian economy by 2026
$4.35 tn (UK)
AVERAGE ANNUAL GDP GROWTH (IN $) OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS
5.77% (India)
1.76% (UK)

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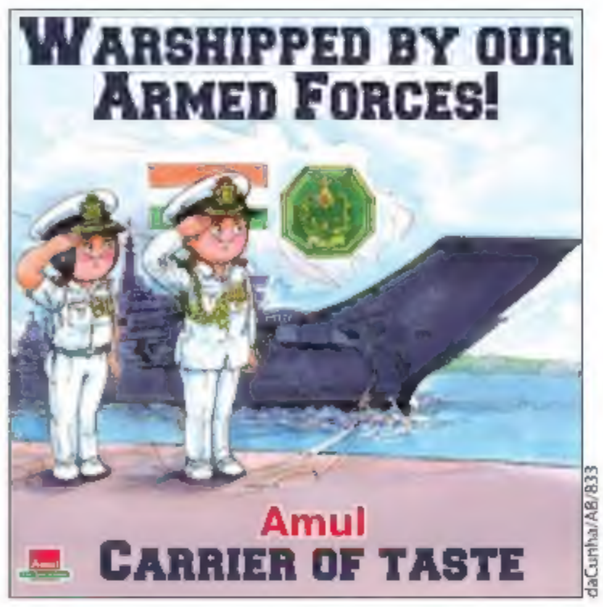

47 commuter trains cancelled

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE South Western Railways on Friday night announced that 47 commuter trains in Karnataka have been cancelled over the weekend due to "inevitable technical and operational reasons", which drew flak from the public for making the announcement at the last minute. An official said the trains were cancelled in view of the General Departmental Competitive Exam which is due on Sunday for filling up positions of Goods Train Managers. P5

ORR flooding: ₹225 crore lost

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

FLOODING on Outer Ring Road (ORR) in Bengaluru on August 30 led to a loss of Rs 225 crore as a large number of employees working for many firms were stranded on the road for nearly five hours. This, despite only 30 per cent of ORR population returning to work-from-office. ORR IT generates a revenue of $22 billion per anum which is 32 per cent of the city's revenue and is also the highest tax contributor. However, the lack of focus on development of the corridor has come in for criticism.

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